

Jerry Waldor was president of the United Jewish Federation of MetroWest, an umbrella social organization that provided services to thousands in northern New Jersey. He was a beloved community leader who took a serious role in so many areas of importance to communities in our area of New Jersey. As is well known in these days of serious philanthropy, it is not an uncommon practice to delay or even avoid meetings or discussions with friends who volunteer to solicit funds no matter how good and important the organization's agenda. Jerry Waldor would phone me every year to solicit my contribution to the local Jewish Federation, and I welcomed his call because his manner was so pleasant and his own giving so generous. He also served as national vice chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and a director of the Council of Jewish Federations. He served on the boards of the American Jewish Committee and the New Jersey YMHA camps. He also served as a director of the National Conference of Community and Justice and a trustee of Cerebral Palsy of North Jersey.

Jerry also had a distinguished record of military service. He entered the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1946 and graduated as a second lieutenant in the Air Force.

During 5 years in the Air Force, he rose to the rank of captain, and worked as a deputy assistant for logistics in the Pentagon. After completing his active duty, he entered the Air Force Reserve, where he served until 1983. He retired as a major general. During his military career, Jerry received the Distinguished Service Medal and the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster.

Jerry touched many lives during his time on Earth, and his deeds and memory will live on. I am proud to call him my friend. He will be missed by all who knew him. I hope his family will take comfort in the recall of their good fortune to have had him as husband, father, and grandfather in these dark days.●

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 1648. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve the system for enhancing automobile fuel efficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 1649. A bill to require the Secretary of Energy to submit to Congress a report describing the method by which existing reporting systems within the Department of Energy can be coordinated to provide timely reporting of significant supply interruptions in the transmission of petroleum and petroleum-related products; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr.

ISAKSON, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. THOMAS, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. HAGEL, and Mr. LUGAR):

S.J. Res. 23. A joint resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Gold Star Mothers Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 65

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 65, a bill to amend the age restrictions for pilots.

S. 633

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 633, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became disabled for life while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. 713

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 713, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants.

S. 769

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 769, a bill to enhance compliance assistance for small businesses.

S. 1615

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1615, a bill to establish the Federal Emergency Management Agency as an independent agency, and for other purposes.

S. 1622

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1622, a bill to establish a congressional commission to examine the Federal, State, and local response to the devastation wrought by Hurricane Katrina in the Gulf Region of the United States especially in the States of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and other areas impacted in the aftermath and make immediate corrective measures to improve such responses in the future.

S. 1637

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1637, a bill to provide emergency relief to meet the immediate needs of survivors of Hurricane Katrina for health care, housing, education, and financial relief, and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 48

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 48, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Con-

gress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued to promote public awareness of Down syndrome.

AMENDMENT NO. 1659

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1659 proposed to H.R. 2862, a bill making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1660

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 1660 intended to be proposed to H.R. 2862, a bill making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 1648. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve the system for enhancing automobile fuel efficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S. 1648

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Automobile Fuel Efficiency Improvements Act of 2005".

SEC. 2. PHASED INCREASES IN FUEL ECONOMY STANDARDS.

(a) PASSENGER AUTOMOBILES.—

(1) MINIMUM STANDARDS.—Section 32902(b) of title 49, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(b) PASSENGER AUTOMOBILES.—Except as otherwise provided under this section, the average fuel economy standard for passenger automobiles manufactured by a manufacturer in a model year—

"(1) after model year 1984 and before model year 2008 shall be 25 miles per gallon;

"(2) after model year 2007 and before model year 2011 shall be 28 miles per gallon;

"(3) after model year 2010 and before model year 2014 shall be 32 miles per gallon;

"(4) after model year 2013 and before model year 2017 shall be 36 miles per gallon; and

"(5) after model year 2016 shall be 40 miles per gallon."

(2) HIGHER STANDARDS SET BY REGULATION.—Section 32902(c) of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by striking paragraph (2); and

(B) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking "Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the" and inserting "The"; and

(ii) by striking "amending the standard" and inserting "increasing the standard otherwise applicable";

(iii) by striking "Section 553" and inserting the following:

"(2) Section 553".

(b) NON-PASSENGER AUTOMOBILES.—Section 32902(a) of title 49, United States Code, is amended—